

THE TOWN OFFICERS
and
SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS
MAKE THEIR
ANNUAL REPORT



TOWN OF MASON
NEW HAMPSHIRE

for the year ending
DECEMBER 31, 1949

TOWN of MASON

New Hampshire



ANNUAL REPORT

OF

Town Officers and
School District Officers

For Year Ending December 31,

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Our cover picture on the Town Report this year is a lithograph by Mr. C. W. Anderson, and is the view over the Everett Whitaker orchards from the south end of the Prospect Hill Cemetery. The cover design is by Mr. Francis J. Coyne. The Selectmen desire to express their grateful appreciation to Mr. Anderson and Mr. Coyne for their cooperation in producing an attractive cover.

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

ROBERT E. ROSSLEY

Clerk and Treasurer

DOROTHY BLAKE WHITAKER

Selectmen

CARL V. VALYOU

Term expires 1950

ROBERT R. TREMPPE

Term expires 1951

FREDERIC N. MARTIN

Term expires 1952

Tax Collector

HERMAN O. SCHULZE

Auditor

TOIVO KIVIMAKI

Highway Agent

HAROLD C. MILLER

Supervisors of Check List

ALICE B. DIMOCK

HAROLD C. MILLER

GUY F. WASHBURN

Ballot Clerks

DELMORE P. NOBLE

LILLIAN VALYOU

MILDRED WHARFF

Library Trustees

GERTRUDE F. HOUGHTON

Term expires 1950

LENA MILLER

Term expires 1951

C. W. ANDERSON

Term expires 1952

Librarian

THELMA W. MARTIN

Trustees of Trust Funds

FRANCIS J. COYNE	Term expires 1950
HAROLD F. ELLIOTT	Term expires 1951
CONRAY G. WHARFF	Term expires 1952

Trustees of Cemeteries

CONRAY G. WHARFF	Term expires 1950
FRANKLIN BOYLE	Term expires 1951
G. PORTER WASHBURN	Resigned April 9, 1949

Chief of Police

CARL V. VALYOU

Special Officers

FREDERIC N. MARTIN	IRVING M. SPEAR
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Fire Warden

CARL V. VALYOU

Deputy Fire Wardens

JAMES BELL	CURTIS DUNN
LOREN BROWN	HAROLD C. MILLER
G. PORTER WASHBURN	

Health Officer

CONRAY G. WHARFF

Janitor

CONRAY G. WHARFF

Sexton

CONRAY G. WHARFF

T O W N W A R R A N T

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Mason in the County of
Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in
Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in
said Mason on Tuesday, the 14th day of March, next, at
nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following
subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year
ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary
to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make ap-
propriations of the same.
3. To choose one Trustee of Trust Funds for three
years.
4. To choose one Trustee of the Cemeteries for three
years, and one Trustee for two years.
5. To choose one Trustee of the Mason Public Library
for three years.
6. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and
appropriate for library purposes.
7. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and
appropriate for repairs of highways and bridges.

8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$528.00 for Town Road Aid, in order to obtain State Aid, for maintenance. construction, or reconstruction of Class V highways in the amount of \$2198.93.

9. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for care of cemeteries.

10. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Memorial Day purposes.

11. To see if the voters will authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to borrow a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate \$10,000.00 in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current municipal year, and to issue in the name and on the credit of the Town negotiable notes therefor, said notes to be repaid during the current municipal year from taxes collected within the current municipal year.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for street lighting.

13. To see if the Town will vote a discount on full, or partial payments of taxes, and fix the date of payment of same, or take any action relating thereto.

14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure employees of the town, or take any action relating thereto.

15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to be spent in co-operation with the State Forestry Department for White Pine Blister Rust Control.

16. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell real estate bought by the Town at tax sale, provided

they sell it only to the last former owner, and provided the sale price is sufficient to reimburse the town for taxes and for all expense to which it has been put; or will take any action relating thereto.

17. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell real estate owned by the town, at prices which, in their judgement, are fair and equitable; or will take any action relating thereto.

18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 to install fluorescent lighting in the main hall of the Town Hall, or take any action relating thereto.

19. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$35.00 for the Monadnock Region Association of Southern New Hampshire; or will take any action relating thereto.

20. To see if the Town will vote to observe, during the month of August, 1950, the anniversary of Old Home Week, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

21. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, and Committees, and Officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

22. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$150 for the purpose of installing a drain across the common, or take any action relating thereto.

23. To see if the Town will vote to accept from Harriet E. Whitaker the sum of Two Hundred Dollars for the perpetual care of the Henry B. Hosmer Cemetery Lot.

Given under our hands and seal, this fifteenth day of

February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty.

CARL V. VALYOU

ROBERT R. TREMPE

FREDERIC N. MARTIN

Selectmen of Mason

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

CARL V. VALYOU

ROBERT R. TREMPE

FREDERIC N. MARTIN

Selectmen of Mason

I M P O R T A N T

Notice To All Property Owners

CHAPTER 79-A. Revised Laws of New Hampshire

FOREST CONSERVATION AND TAXATION

All growing wood and timber except fruit trees, sugar orchards, nursery stock and trees maintained only for shade or ornamental purposes, which shall not be subject to the yield tax hereinafter provided, shall be released from the general property tax; but the land upon which such growing wood and timber stands shall be assessed.

A yield tax on the stumpage value at the time of cutting shall be assessed by the assessing officials as of October first of each year against each owner of growing wood and timber, which has been cut during the previous tax year, at the rate of ten per cent.

Whenever it shall appear to the assessing officials that a town or city is unreasonably deprived of revenue because of the failure of an owner to cut standing wood or timber when it shall have arrived at the degree of maturity most suitable for its use, such standing wood and timber shall be taxed in the same manner as general property and be subject to the same rights of appeal, the intent being to prevent the holding of standing wood and timber indefinitely without the payment of any taxes. If such standing wood and timber is taxed under the provisions of this section, such taxes shall be a credit against any yield tax later imposed, and shall be taken into consideration in determining loss of tax revenue as provided in section 18.

The owner intending to cut any wood or timber shall

give written notice of his intention prior to such cutting to the assessing officials. Such notice shall state the name and residence of the owner, a description of the location of the land from which the wood or timber is to be cut, its estimated amount and value, and whether or not application for abatement will be made in accordance with section 5.

Every owner as defined in section 1 of this chapter shall make a return to the assessing officials on or before October 15th each year, stating the kinds and total amount of wood or timber subject to the yield tax cut during the preceding tax year. Returns shall be on forms prescribed by the Tax Commission and shall require such information as the commission may deem necessary to enable the assessing officials to locate, identify and determine the true stumpage value of all wood and timber subject to a yield tax. Such returns shall be made under penalty of perjury.

Whoever violates any of the provisions of sections 8 or 9 shall be fined not more than \$500.00. Such fine shall go to the city or town in which the wood or timber is located and shall be enforced in an action brought in the name of the town or city by the assessing officials.

The above excerpts from the "Timber Tax Law" are furnished for the information of the property owners of the Town or Mason. The Law is effective April 1, 1950. Further information may be secured from the Selectmen. Particular attention is invited to Paragraph 4 and 5 above.

CARL V. VALYOU
ROBERT R. TREMPE
FREDERIC N. MARTIN
Selectmen of Mason.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, lands and building	4,000.00
Furniture and equipment	1,000.00
Libraries, furniture and equipment	1,000.00
Fire Department equipment	500.00
Highway Department, land and buildings	450.00
Equipment	700.00
Town Tractor (Notes due: \$4,590.00)	7,500.00
Common	500.00
Schools, land and buildings	5,000.00
Equipment	1,000.00
Lands and buildings	
8 Acres, Hall land	50.00
20 Acres, Walter Robbins lot	80.00
12 Acres, Henry Barret lot	50.00
5 Acres, Shattuck lot	20.00
150 Acres, Upton Pasture	600.00
125 Acres, Mitchell Pasture	500.00
15 Acres, Part Farwell Farm	60.00
180 Acres, Part of S. M. Barrett place	750.00
50 Acres, Part of S. M. Barrett place	350.00
51 Acres, Craig lot	215.00
22 Acres, Lucy J. Lawrence lot	100.00
15 Acres, Russell land	60.00
30 Acres, Perley Pierce lot	120.00
17 Acres, Coburn lot	68.00
54 Acres, Walter Fessenden lot	216.00
11 Acres, Hall lot	44.00
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	24,933.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE
WITH ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUE, APPROPRIA-
1, 1949 TO DECEMBER 31, 1949

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1949	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1949	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1950
FROM STATE:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	541.10	544.05	400.00
Railroad Tax	173.86	184.47	170.00
Savings Bank Tax	242.04	225.21	225.00
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal Forest lands	54.28	46.93	46.93
For Fighting Forest Fires	—	43.72	—
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	—	424.03	—
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:			
Dog Licenses	—	145.00	145.00
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	50.00	79.00	50.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	64.07	60.76	60.76
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	641.42	824.10	600.00
†Cash Surplus	800.00	584.60	600.00
FROM LOCAL TAXES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES:			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular @\$2	288.00	276.00	276.00
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROP- ERTY TAXES	2,854.77	3,437.87	2,573.69
*AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES			17,220.99
TOTAL REVENUES			19,794.68

*Total estimated "Revenues from All sources except Prop-
erty Taxes" deducted from Total estimated "Expenditures"
should give estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes."

†Cash Surplus equals Excess of actual Cash on Hand at close
of fiscal year over Current Liabilities, i.e., Balance of Appropria-
tion due School District, Unexpended Balances of Special Appropria-
tions, Outstanding Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes
and Accounts Payable.

OF MASON, N. H.

ENSUING YEAR JAN. 1, 1950 to DEC. 31, 1950 COMPARED
TIONS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR JAN.

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appro- priations Previous Year 1949	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1949	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1950
CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Town Officers' Salaries	1,000.00	1,145.86	1,200.00
Town Officers' Expenses	700.00	725.64	700.00
Election and Registration Exp.	50.00	40.90	200.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	500.00	683.34	700.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:			
Police Department	50.00	26.25	50.00
Fire Department	368.47	315.53	100.00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust	200.00	196.48	200.00
HEALTH:			
Vital Statistics	14.00	7.75	14.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	75.00	75.00	75.00
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:			
Workmen's Insurance	250.00	237.63	250.00
Town Maintenance: Summer	1,400.00	1,407.75	1,500.00
Town Maintenance: Winter	2,000.00	1,822.70	2,000.00
Street Lighting	126.00	126.00	126.00
General Exp. Highway Dept.	600.00	650.19	600.00
Town Road Aid	486.00	486.00	528.00
LIBRARIES			
	150.00	150.00	150.00
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
Town Poor	150.00	58.19	150.00
Old Age Assistance	500.00	323.82	500.00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	25.00	25.00	25.00
RECREATION:			
Parks and Playgrounds, incl. band concerts	100.00	64.50	250.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:			
Cemeteries	200.00	183.94	200.00
UNCLASSIFIED:			
Damages and Legal Expenses, incl. Dog Damage	—	11.77	—
Adv. and Regional Assn's.	32.00	32.00	35.00
INTEREST:			
On Temporary Loans	200.00	111.80	200.00
On Long Term Notes	100.00	75.00	100.00
PAYMENT ON PRINCIPAL OF DEBT:			
Long Term Notes	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS:			
County Taxes	1,700.00	1,549.62	1,700.00
School Taxes	6,496.08	7,494.90	7,241.68
Total Expenditures	18,472.55	19,027.56	19,794.68

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES*

FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949

Title of Appropriation	Appropriations	Receipts & Reimbursements	Total Amt. Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balances	Overdrafts
Town Officers' Salaries	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,145.86		145.86
Town Officers' Expenses	700.00	90.75a	790.75	725.64	65.11	
Election and Registration	50.00		50.00	40.90	9.10	
Town Hall	500.00	79.00b	579.00	683.34		104.34
Police Department	50.00		50.00	26.25	23.75	
Fire Department	363.47		363.47	315.53	52.94	
Town Dump	75.00		75.00	75.00		
Town Highway Maintenance						
Winter	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,822.70	177.30	
Summer	1,400.00	2,095.40c	3,495.40	3,503.15		7.75
Street Lighting	126.00		126.00	126.00		
General Exp. Highway Dept.	600.00		600.00	650.19		50.19
Libraries	150.00		150.00	150.00		
Town Poor	150.00		150.00	58.19	91.81	
Old Age Assistance	500.00	424.03d	924.03	323.82	600.21	
Memorial Day	25.00		25.00	25.00		
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00		100.00	64.50	35.50	
Interest:						
Temporary Loans	200.00		200.00	111.80	88.20	
Tractor Note	100.00		100.00	75.00	25.00	
Principal of Debt. (Tractor Note)	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		
County Tax	1,700.00		1,700.00	1,549.62	150.38	
Workmens' Insurance	250.00		250.00	237.63	12.37	
Vital Statistics	14.00		14.00	7.75	6.25	
Town Road Aid	483.00		486.00	486.00		

Cemeteries	200.00		200.00	183.94	16.06
Monadnock Region Assoc.	32.00		32.00	32.00	
Blister Rust Control	200.00		200.00	196.48	3.52
Totals	11,976.47	2,689.18	14,665.65	13,616.29	1,357.50
					308.14
					<u>308.14</u>
					Net Unexpended Balances of Appropriations \$1,049.36

*Does not include school appropriation of \$6,496.08.

a Town Clerk auto fees \$86.50. Fee to Clerk \$3.00. Sale of Town Report \$1.25.

b Hall rent.

c Class V State Aid.

d Received from State from sale of Bertha Newell property.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF MASON IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

For the fiscal year ending December 31, 1949

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the following information contained in this report was taken from Official Records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

CARL V. VALYOU
ROBERT R. TREMPER
FREDERIC N. MARTIN

Selectmen.

EDMUND C. CLAP, Treasurer,
Jan. 1 to June 1, 1949

DOROTHY BLAKE WHITAKER, Treasurer,
June 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949.

ASSETS

Cash in hands of Treasurer	\$2,865.81
Unredeemed taxes: (From Tax Sale on account of)	
Levy of 1948	52.61
Levy of 1947	6.67
Levy of 1946	10.78
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	70.06
Uncollected Taxes, Levy of 1949	2,241.31
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Total Assets	5,177.18
Excess of Liabilities over Assets (net debt)	2,323.90

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Due School District	
For Dog Licenses	\$115.00
Balance of appropriation	2,796.08

Long Term Notes Outstanding:

Wilton National Bank, tractor notes	4,590.00	
	<hr/>	\$7,501.08

DOG TAX REPORT

January 1, 1949 to June 1, 1949

55 Taxes submitted for collection.

55 Taxes collected.

Report of Receipts

6 Females dogs	30.00	
9 Spayed dogs	18.00	
40 Male dogs	80.00	
	<hr/>	128.00

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND C. CLAP,

Town Clerk.

June 1, 1949 to January 1, 1950

7 Taxes submitted for collection.

7 Taxes collected.

Report of Receipts

1 Female dog	5.00	
6 Male dogs	12.00	
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		17.00

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY BLAKE WHITAKER

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

January 1, 1949 to June 1, 1949

Licensed Dogs:

Number of dogs licensed 55; total tax	128.00
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Paid to Town Treasurer	128.00
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Selectmen's payments for

Town Clerk's fees	11.00
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Selectmen's payments for

Dog Tags, Postage and Licenses	7.77
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Auto Permits:

5 auto permits, 1948 year	17.94
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124 auto permits, 1949 year	560.01
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Paid to Town Treasurer	577.95
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EDMUND C. CLAP, Town Clerk

Audited June 1st.

June 1, 1949 to January 1, 1950

Licensed Dogs:

Number of dogs licensed 7; total tax	17.00
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Paid to Town Treasurer	17.00
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Selectmen's payments for

Town Clerk's fees	1.40
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Auto Permits:

44 auto permits, 1949 year	246.15
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Paid to Town Treasurer	246.15
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Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY BLAKE WHITAKER,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

1—Town Officers' Salaries—

This Appropriation was exceeded this year due to several causes. The number of forms and reports required by the State and the amount of correspondence is increasing steadily, requiring more and more attention on the part of the various Town Officers. This year's Legislature remained in session until late in the summer, thus holding up the Tax Bills and "Statement of Appropriations and Taxes Assessed" form required by the State Tax Commission to be filed with them for approval. When the Legislature finally adjourned, the reports were completed and submitted to the State Tax Commissioner for approval and the taxes were figured on all property and the Tax Warrant was prepared for submission to the Tax Collector, based on a Tax Rate of \$4.90 per hundred dollars. Just prior to the issuance of the tax bills, the State notified the School Board and the Town that the State Aid appropriation for the local School District would be much larger than anticipated, with the result that the Town "Appropriation for School District" was lowered and it was then necessary to refigure all tax bills and make up a new Tax Warrant based on \$4.50 per hundred dollars.

2—Town Officers' Expenses—

By reason of the vote of the Town, the 1948 Town Report included the itemized list of the "1948 Valuation of Lands and Buildings, and Growing Wood and Timber," making an exceedingly voluminous report with a resulting high printers cost of \$397.00. This accounts for exceeding this appropriation.

3—Election and Registration Expenses—

The Primaries will be held this fall and the Budget carries a \$200 appropriation for this item.

4—Town Hall and Other Buildings—

This appropriation was exceeded due to necessary work on the Town Hall. The Hall had been condemned for dancing and large assemblies. Upon examination it was found that the building rested on piers consisting of dry piles of stone. The spring frost heaves had allowed some of the piles to fall, leaving the floor joists without support. The building was levelled and piers rebuilt of stone and granite chips cemented together. Several roof timbers had slipped from the plate and these were replaced. New stove pipe was installed and the chimney thimble renewed and cemented in place to overcome a dangerous fire hazard. All broken window glass in the building was replaced. The Hall is badly in need of painting and provision has been made for this in the budget.

5—Parks and Playgrounds—

At the last Town Meeting the Town voted to close the road running diagonally across the common. The Veterans' of Foreign Wars turned out in a body and accomplished this project by filling with gravel and grading, without cost to the Town. A conduit running parallel to the old road for drainage is needed to connect to the State's conduit which now extends about 15 feet into the common, and provision is made for this in the budget.

6—Town Report—

The 1948 Town Report again took first prize in the New Hampshire Town Report Contest, and second prize in the New England Town Report Contest.

Mason, N. H., Feb. 10, 1950

The cataloging work of the town records is progressing slowly but surely. The papers are being classified as to subject and arrangements have been made with the Secretary of State and the State Librarian to place them in the vault at Concord for safe keeping. Some have already gone to Concord.

Transfers and assignments for the Town of Mason

Oct. 25th, 1850—Nov. 6, 1883.

Property of the Members of the South School

District in 1844

State Papers of New Hampshire

(27 volumes sent to Concord)

Mrs. Mildren P. McKay, the State Librarian, spent a morning with the Selectmen of Mason and myself and advised us as to the worth of some of the books in the office of the Selectmen and also told us which books might be sold or otherwise disposed of and which ones to return to the State House.

I am striving to accomplish the task of taking care of all these papers by the end of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

SYBIL M. BEATHAM

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Levy of 1949

Taxes committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$15,847.00
Poll Taxes	296.00

Added Tax:

Poll Taxes	\$4.00
Interest Collected	1.28

Total debits	\$16,148.28
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Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$13,333.16
Poll Taxes	236.00
Interest Collected	1.28
Discount allowed	192.95
Abatements, property tax	133.58
Abatements, poll tax	10.00

Uncollected Taxes as per Collectors List:

Property Tax	\$2,187.31
Poll Taxes	54.00

Total Credits	\$16,148.28
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Levy of 1948

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1949:

Property Taxes	\$1,455.80
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Poll Taxes	46.00	
Added Poll Taxes	4.00	
Costs	27.31	
Interest collected during fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1949	59.48	
	<hr/>	\$1,592.59

Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal
year ending Dec. 31, 1949:

Property Taxes	\$1,455.80	
Poll Taxes	40.00	
Interest Collected	59.48	
Costs	27.31	
Abatements—Poll Taxes	10.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,592.59

Levy of 1947

Remittance to Treasurer:

Property Taxes—Tax Sale Redeemed	34.39	
Interest	3.40	
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UNCOLLECTED TAXES

As of December 1, 1949

1949 Tax

Resident

	Property	Poll
C. W. Anderson	\$72.54 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Madeline Anderson	113.67 $\frac{1}{2}$	\$2.00

Walter Barnes	29.70‡	2.00‡
Theresa Barnes		2.00‡
Edmund Clap	156.15	
Mary P. Davis Heirs	53.82‡	
Edwin Doucette	36.00	2.00
Nellie Doucette		2.00
Frank Dietzel		2.00*
Orvan Elliott	27.45	2.00
Rose Eaton		2.00*
Helen Flagg		2.00‡
James and June Gibbons	66.06	
May Graham		2.00‡
Eino Helstein	159.84	2.00
Anna Helstein		2.00
August Helstein		2.00
John Koivula		2.00*
Armand and Genevieve Leger	50.00	
George A. and George O. Lord, Jtly	36.81	
George O. Lord		2.00
Hazel B. Lord		2.00
Helen Murto		2.00*
Fern Rines		2.00
Robert Rossley	46.80	
James M. Sharp, Jr.	49.50	2.00
Irving Spear	23.18	
Marion Spear		2.00
Kester Surdam		2.00
Mrs. Kester Surdam		2.00
Harry Williams	45.72	
Lloyd Williams		2.00
Ruth Williams		2.00
G. Porter Washburn	24.08	
Laila Washburn		2.00
Guy F. Washburn	106.38	2.00
Adelphia Washburn		2.00
Charles E. Wright	20.25	2.00

Harriet Wright	2.00
Gladys Hurlbert	2.00
Mildred Whittier	2.00*
Agnes Brown	2.00*

Non-Resident

Charles M. Abbot	79.65
Frances Boucher	8.33
Nellie Blanch	5.63
H. A. Conant	18.90‡
Stephen D. Coffey	9.41
Alfred Chouinard	5.18
Herbert H. Colson Heirs	8.78*
Nellie Enright	7.56
E. C. Fessenden	1.71
Arthur Flitner	2.70‡
Carleton Farrah	4.77
Hartwell Heirs	10.13‡
Florence Hartwell	49.50‡
Arnold W. Hannah	6.48
J. B. & P. C. Hill Heirs	19.49
Annie Scripture Hill Heirs	20.43
Frederick Johansson	9.18
Charles D. King	16.20
Joseph Luke	3.38
Lewis Murphy	11.25
Myra Nutting	.45
Henry C. & Adelaide Patey	504.10
Houghton Priest	5.40
E. B. Richardson Heirs	14.67
Fred R. Ramsey	13.32
Winfield Savage	47.25
John Somero	1.13
John Swen	41.09
Harry Tighe Heirs	51.75
J. P. Thompson Heirs	3.87

Walter Weston Heirs	26.55
David Whiting & Sons	54.00*
Gertrude Wilson	10.58‡
Grace Wright	11.48‡
Frank Brown	45.00
State of New Hampshire	70.80*

*Abated.

‡Paid since end of fiscal year.

HERMAN O. SCHULZE,

Tax Collector.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

January 1, 1949 to June 1, 1949

Cash on hand January 1, 1949	\$4,397.30
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Receipts for 1949:

Town Clerk:

Auto Permits	577.95	
Dog Permits	128.00	
Filing Fees	4.00	
		709.95

Selectmen:

Rent of Town Hall		
Grange	50.00	50.00

Temporary Loans		4,000.00
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State of New Hampshire

Fire Reimbursement	14.12	14.12
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Tax Collector

1949 Taxes	44.00	
1948 Taxes	791.35	

835.35

Total Receipts January 1, 1949 to June 1, 1949	5,609.42
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Total Receipts plus cash on hand Jan. 1 to June 1	10,006.72
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Payments, Selectmen's Orders Paid	8,337.85
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Cash on Hand June 1, 1949	1,668.87
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EDMUND C. CLAP,

Town Treasurer.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

Cash on hand June 1, 1949	1,668.87
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Receipts for June thru December 31:

Town Clerk:

Auto Permits	246.15	
Dog Permits	17.00	
	<hr/>	263.15

Selectmen:

Payment stopped on check	397.60	
Rent of Town Hall:		
Ladies' Aid	5.00	
Veterans of Foreign Wars	24.00	
Town Report	1.25	
Worcester County Trust	3.00	
	<hr/>	430.85

Townsend Bank	.83
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Temporary Loans	2,000.00
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State of New Hampshire:

Bounty Reimbursements	68.00
Refund on Workman's Insurance	43.07
Class V. Road Aid	2,095.40
Forest Fire Reimbursement	23.80
Refund for Posting Woodlands	5.80
Recovery of Old Age Assistance*	424.03
Savings Bank Tax	225.21
Railroad Tax	184.47

Interest and Dividend Tax	544.05	
	<hr/>	3,613.83
Tax Collector:		
1949 Taxes	13,528.44	
1948 Taxes	789.24	
Tax Sales Redeemed	37.79	
	<hr/>	14,355.47
Total Receipts June 1 to January 1		<hr/> 20,664.13
Total Receipts plus cash on hand		22,333.00
Payments, Selectmen's Orders		19,467.19
Cash on Hand January 1, 1950		2,865.81
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*Received from State as result of sale of Bertha Newell property.

DOROTHY BLAKE WHITAKER,
Town Treasurer.

DETAIL OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries:

Toivo K. Kivimaki, selectman @ 85c hr.	51.00
Carl V. Valyou, selectman @ 85c hr.	247.05
Robert R. Trempe, selectman @ 85c hr.	231.40
Frederic N. Martin, selectman @ 85c hr.	253.74
Edmund C. Clap, Town Clerk & Treas.	62.67
Dorothy B. Whitaker, Town Clerk and Treasurer	87.50

Herman O. Schulze, Tax Collector	186.40
Dwight L. Dimock, Auditor	42.50
Conray G. Wharf, Treas. of Trust Funds	20.00

Town Officers' Expenses:

Herman O. Schulze

Tax Collector's Meeting	\$11.15
Association Meeting (2 days)	30.00
Tax Collector's Association Dues	2.00
Posting Tax Sale and fees	16.00
Telephone	.10
Stamps	18.31

\$77.56

Robert R. Trempe

Assessors meeting	1.65
Stamps	20.01
Stationery	1.15

22.81

Carl V. Valyou

Assessors meeting	2.00
Mileage and fire duty	2.50
Stamps	4.00
Telephone	7.70

16.20

Toivo Kivimaki

Telephone	.80
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Frederic N. Martin

Assessors meeting	6.20
Mileage assessing	4.98
Telephone	1.27
Stamps	.42
Stationery	1.50

14.37

Edmund Clap		
Stamps	3.23	
Mileage to bank	4.62	
	<hr/>	7.85
Dorothy B. Whitaker		
Stamps		3.00
Donat Corriveau		
Advertising—Non-payment of taxes	2.25	
Registration and Tax Sale	2.50	
Recording deeds	16.22	
	<hr/>	20.97
Sibyl Beatham		
Mileage to Concord Historical Society		2.00
Mason Village Savings Bank		
Rental and tax of Safety Deposit Box		3.60
Mary Schulze		
Revising address book		2.00
Recording and Statistical Company, House Trailer Book	3.00	
U. S. Auto and Truck Guide and binder	7.50	
Times Free Press, Printing Town Report	397.60	
Sargent Brothers, Printing Tax bills	19.53	
Brown & Saltmarsh, forms, books and supplies	20.45	
E. C. Eastman Co., Forms, stationery	26.52	
Alice K. Trempe, copying permanent town records	12.00	
Appleton Academy, mimeographing	.90	
T. A. Eaton Agency		
Insurance and bonds	15.00	
Tax Collectors bond	13.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds bonds	5.00	
Town Clerk and Treasurer bonds	12.48	
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Tracy A. Eaton	
Insurance on Town Hall	37.50

Election and Registration:

Guy F. Washburn, Supervisor	\$14.80
Harold C. Miller, Supervisor	4.00
Alice B. Dimock, Supervisor	6.50
Times-Free Press,	
Printing ballots	10.00
Delmore P. Noble, ballot clerk	5.60
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	\$40.90

Town Hall and Town Buildings:

Guy F. Washburn, cartage of roofing	
for town shed	\$2.00
Sunshine Stores, Ayer, Mass., Aluminum	
roofing for town sheds	29.25
Greenville Elec. Co., Electricity	74.96
Guy F. Washburn, repairing roof	
of town sheds	12.00
Guy F. Washburn, ½ cord slab wod	6.00
Tracy A. Eaton, Insurance	37.50
Geo. O. Lord, 1 cord hardwood	20.00
Robert E. Rossley, Repairs to	
Town Hall	393.60
Derby & Little, light bulbs and plugs	4.50
Robert E. Rossley, Repairs to	
Town Hall	59.48
Rhea Williams, fuses, light bulbs	1.85
Conray G. Wharff, Janitor Service	42.20
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	\$683.34

Fire Department:

Carl Valyou, Proctor Fire	9.10
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James Bell, Proctor Fire	3.40
Eino Helstein	2.00
N. Hughes	3.00
Carl Valyou, Fire Wardens Meeting	8.25
Curtis Dunn, Fire Wardens Meeting and Mileage	11.25
James Bell, Fire Wardens Meeting	8.73
Charles Barnes, Jr., Fire duty	1.60
Robert Brunelle, Fire duty	1.60
Carl Valyou, Fire duty	1.70
Carl Valyou, Closing woods	6.80
Carl Valyou, Closing woods, transportation	4.80
Carl Valyou, telephone	1.05
James Bell, Brookline fire	2.00
Harold C. Miller, Brookline fire	6.25
Morris Whittier, Brookline fire	4.00
Robert Anderson, Brookline fire	4.00
Edward Eastman, Brookline fire	4.00
Charles C. Clogherty Co., Fire hose, etc.	232.00

\$315.53

Police Department:

Carl Valyou, Police services and exp.	26.25
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26.25

Bounties:

Chester Minot	\$2.75
Fred Whitaker	1.25
Franklin Boyle	.50
Robert R. Trempe	.50
Carl V. Valyou	5.00
A. M. Byers	3.00

William Osgood	1.00	
Paul Sodano	1.00	
Robert W. Martin	1.75	
James Kelly	.50	
Murdock Dunn	2.00	
Donald Sodano	1.00	
Robert R. Trempe, Jr.	1.00	
George A. Lord	2.50	
	<hr/>	23.75
Dog License Expense:		
Brown & Saltmarsh, Dog tags	4.65	
Brown & Saltmarsh, Dog licenses	2.90	
Edmund C. Clap, fees	4.22	
	<hr/>	11.77
Workmen's Insurance:		
T. A. Eaton, Agency	237.63	
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Vital Statistics:		
Edmund C. Clap	3.75	
Dorothy Blake Whitaker	4.00	
	<hr/>	7.75
Town Dump:		
Town of Greenville, use of dump	75.00	
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Town Road Aid:		
Treasurer, State of N. H.	486.00	
(Cont. by State \$2,195.31)		
	<hr/>	486.00

Summer Roads:

Harold C. Miller, Road Agent	
Orders paid	3,503.15

Winter Roads

Porter Washburn, Section 1 & 3	626.80	
Sand	79.70	
		706.50
Arthur Williams, Section 2	312.10	
Rent of plow	56.00	
		368.10
Harold C. Miller	662.10	
Greenville Grain, 2 ton salt	49.00	
Roy Elliott, sand	40.00	
Baling wire	5.50	
		756.60

Town Tractor:

Rhea Williams, Gas and Oil	32.26	
Carl Valyou, operator	24.00	
Harold Miller, operator	8.00	
Laurel Park Serv. Stat., Oil	5.00	
T. A. Eaton, Insurance	94.75	
		164.01

Street Lights:

Greenville Electric Light Co.	126.00
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General Expenses Highway Department:

Greenville Auto Serv., repair plow	1.50
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Harold Miller, lumber for hone	11.50
J. Borowiki & Son, steel for hone and screen	89.40
Fitchburg Hardware, material for hone and screen	16.29
Laitala's Garage, repairing road hone	69.40
Carl Valyou, labor on hone	25.20
Laitala's Garage, repairing plow for Porter Washburn, 2/2/49	117.82
Toivo Kivimaki, labor on hone and screen	75.00
Hazelton Co., repairing Town tractor	27.58
Laitala's Garage, repair on tractor	.70
Laurel Park Service Station, 5 gal. tractor oil	5.00
Laitala's Garage, repairs to snow plow	11.26
T. A. Eaton, Ins. on tractor	94.75
Laitala's Garage, repairs to snow plow	104.79

650.19

Library:

Gertrude Houghton, Treas.	150.00
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Old Age Assistance:

State of New Hampshire	323.82
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Town Poor:

Richard A. Bakus, M. D., care of Edward LaRoche	10.00
A. C. Hall Co., groceries for Mike Dwyer	16.00

A. C. Hall Co., groceries for	
Mike Dwyer	3.99
F. N. Martin, trip to Hillsborough and	
Louden, N. H. to arrange for moving	
of Edward LaRoche	19.85
Carl Valyou, trip to Hillsborough and	
Louden, N. H. to arrange for moving	
of Edward LaRoche	8.35

58.19

Memorial Day:

Beck-Elliott-Brown Post	
No. 1088 V. F. W.	25.00

25.00

Parks and Playgrounds:

Edward LaRoche, pruning trees	1.50
Richard L. Lord, pruning trees	54.00
Curtis Dunn, mowing Common	9.00

64.50

Cemeteries:

Charles Tarbell, labor	15.20
Frank Newell, labor—	10.40
Dwight Dimock, labor	14.40
Robert Martin, labor	16.80
C. G. Wharff, labor	47.20
C. G. Wharff, 2 rakes	3.00
Frank Boyle, labor	11.20
George Hale, mowing	25.60
Chester Hale, mowing	25.60
Curtis Dunn, mowing	9.00

Clark Lumber Co., posts	5.54	
	<hr/>	183.94
Regional Association:		
Monadnock Regional Association		32.00
Taxes Bought by Town:		
Wilford Hill Heirs, 1948	37.17	
E. C. Fessenden, 1948	5.84	
Herbert Colson Heirs, 1948	15.28	
Carl L. Farrar, 1948	9.60	
	<hr/>	67.89
Interest:		
Townsend National Bank, interest on temporary loans	75.00	
Wilton National Bank, interest on tractor note	111.80	
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Temporary Loans:		
Townsend National Bank		6,000.00
Long Term Note:		
Wilton National Bank (Tractor Note)		1,000.00
County Tax:		
County Treasurer, 1949 Tax		1,549.62
School District:		
Harriet E. Whitaker, District Treasurer		
1948-1949 appropriation bal.	3,679.00	

1948 Dog tax	115.90	
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Mildred Wharff, District Treasurer		
1949-1950 appropriation bal.	3,700.00	
Due School District:		
Balance, 1949-50 appropriation	2,716.08	
Dog tax	115.00	
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REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT

Winter Roads:

January 1, 1949 to March 4, 1949	
Porter Washburn, Sections 1 and 3	706.50
Arthur Williams, Section 2	368.10
Harold Miller, Highway Agent	
Loren Brown, Truck and labor	58.00
Ellsworth Brown, labor	28.80
Lauri Wiik, labor	1.20
Eino Helstein, labor	73.60
Donald Witty, labor	22.40
Herbert Seaver, wire	5.50
Arthur Williams, truck and plow	116.00
Irving Spear, labor	23.20
Alfred Spear, labor	39.20
Roy Elliott, sand	40.00
Greenville Grain Co., 2 ton salt	49.00
Harold C. Miller, truck and labor	291.20
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	748.10

Summer Roads:

Harold Miller, Grader, truck, labor	1,672.40
Carl Valyou, labor	58.00
Lloyd Trempe, labor	69.60
Robert Trempe, Jr., labor	25.60
Ralph Haley, labor	4.80
Ed. LaRoche, labor	13.60
Edward Elliott, shovel	375.00
Clyde Eaton, truck & tractor shovel	44.20
Alfred Spear, labor	115.20
Irving Spear, labor	361.00
Arthur Williams, truck, gas and oil	210.88

Roy Elliott, gravel	46.00
Edward Eastman, gravel	43.20
Robert W. Martin, labor	107.20
Hume Pipe Co., pipe	45.47
Eino Helstein, truck and labor	189.40
Donald Witty, labor	121.60

3,503.15

Summary of work accomplished — Summer Roads

Dragging:

36 Miles	448.00
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448.00

Grading and Honing:

36 Miles	1,556.02
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1,556.02

Widening:

Jackson Road	38.40
Emerson Road	20.00
Baxter Road	65.00
Gravel, 44 yards @ .50 per yard	22.00

145.40

Drainage:

40 feet of pipe	45.47
Laying 60 feet of new pipe	76.80
Relaying pipe	28.80
48 yards of gravel @ .50 per yard	24.00

175.07

Gravelling:

1432 yards of gravel used

Greenville Road	800 feet	328.00
Wilton Road	400 feet	164.00
Kennedy Road	350 feet	143.06
Heald Road	200 feet	82.00
Brookline Road	500 feet	205.00
Morse Road	400 feet	163.00
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Total feet	2650	1,085.06

Brush:

Cutting brush, 1½ miles	93.60
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Total Expenditures	3,503.15
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Appropriation	3,495.40

REPORT OF TOWN TRUSTEES

C. G. Wharff, Treasurer

January 1 to December 31, 1949

Boynton Fund

Receipts — Interest

1949

Jan. 1—Nashua Trust Co.	14.63
Jan. 1—Dartmouth Savings Bank	20.00
Feb. 2—Mason Village Savings Bank	61.94
Apr. 6—Keene Savings Bank	31.31
July 3—Dartmouth Savings Bank	20.00
Aug. 3—Mason Village Savings Bank	61.94
Oct. 5—Keene Savings Bank	51.33

\$261.15

Payments to

Harriett Whitaker, School District Treasurer

Jan. 13—Nashua Trust Co., Int.	14.63
Jan. 13—Dartmouth Savings Bank, Int.	20.00
Feb. 8—Mason Village Sav. Bank, Int.	61.94
Apr. 6—Keene Savings Bank, Int.	31.31

\$127.88

Mildred Wharff, School District Treasurer

Aug. 3—Dartmouth Savings Bank, Int.	20.00
Aug. 3—Mason Village Sav. Bank, Int.	61.94
Oct. 12—Keene Savings Bank, Int.	51.33

\$133.27

\$261.15

Character of Investments

Dartmouth Savings Bank	2,000.00
Keene Savings Bank	4,106.84
Mason Village Savings Bank	4,956.23
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	\$11,063.07

Stearns Fund

January 1 to December 31, 1949

Receipts — Interest

Apr. 6—Mason Village Sav. Bank, Int.	68.36
Apr. 6—Government Bond, Int.	62.50
Aug. 3—Mason Village Sav. Bank, Int.	68.36
Sept. 22—Government Bond, Int.	62.50
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	\$261.72

Payments to

Harriett Whitaker, School District Treasurer

Apr. 6—Mason Village Sav. Bank, Int.	68.36
Apr. 6—Government Bond, Int.	62.50
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	\$130.86

Mildred Wharff, School District Treasurer

Aug. 3—Mason Village Sav. Bank, Int.	68.36
Sept. 22—Government Bond, Int.	62.50
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	\$130.86
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	\$261.72

Character of Investments

Mason Village Savings Bank	5,469.36
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Government Bond	5,000.00	
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Cemetery Trust Fund

Receipts — Interest

Oct. 13—Mason Village Savings Bank	92.08	
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Payments — Interest

C. G. Wharff, Treas. Cemetery Trustees	92.08	
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Character of Investment

Mason Village Savings Bank	3,664.33	
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HAROLD F. ELLIOTT

C. G. WHARFF

Town Trustees

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

C. G. Wharff, Treasurer

Perpetual Care Fund, Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1949

Receipts

Oct. 13—From Town Trustees	92.08	
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1949	8.10	
	<hr/>	\$100.18

Payments

Nov. 1—C. G. Wharff, mowing	59.00	
C. G. Wharff, clipping	7.20	
Cash for seed	6.43	
Frank Newell, clipping	6.80	
Frank Newell, seeding	.80	
Franklin Boyle, seeding	1.60	
Robert Martin, mowing	1.60	
C. G. Wharff, seeding	3.60	
	<hr/>	87.03
Dec. 31—Balance on hand		13.15
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		\$100.18

TOWN APPROPRIATION

Payments

Apr. 25—Chas. Tarbell	15.20
Frank Newell	10.40
Dwight Dimock	14.40
Robert Martin	16.80

C. G. Wharff	15.20	
Fitchburg Hardware, 2 rakes .	3.00	
Apr. 30—Franklin Boyle	11.20	
Aug. 22—George Hale, mowing	25.60	
Chester Hale	25.60	
C. G. Wharff, raking	25.60	
Curtis Dunn, mowing	9.00	
Dec. 31—Frank Newell, repairing fence	2.40	
Clark Lumber Co., posts	5.54	
C. G. Wharff, repairing fence	4.00	
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		\$183.94
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Received from Selectmen	\$183.94
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1949 Cemetery Fund

Jan. 1—Cash in Mason Village		
Savings Bank	77.50	
July 18—Interest, M. V. S. Bank	8.52	
Sale of lots	15.00	
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Deposited Mason Village Savings Bank		\$101.02

CONRAY G. WHARFF

FRANKLIN BOYLE

Cemetery Trustees.

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

Town of Mason, N. H.

December 31, 1949

Showing annual Maturities of Outstanding Long Term Notes:

Tractor, Serial Notes 1948 @ 2%.

Original Amount \$6,590.00.

MATURITIES

1950	\$1,000.00
1951	1,000.00
1952	1,000.00
1953	1,000.00
1954	590.00
Total	<hr/> \$4,590.00

VALUATION

Land and Buildings	\$255,126.00
Growing Wood and Timber	46,778.00
2 Electric Plants	32,188.00
2 Portable Mills	1,150.00
11 Horses	1,050.00
79 Cows	9,850.00
6 Goats	60.00
2850 Fowl	3,462.00
5 Fur bearing animals	50.00
2 Graders	800.00
4 Gas Pumps and tanks	480.00
Stock in trade	1,150.00
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Net Valuation	\$333,327.00
Soldier's Exemptions	18,817.00
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Total Valuation	\$352,144.00

Resident Property Tax Payers			
	Valuation	Tax	Percent
	158,817.00	7,146.77	45.1 %
Total Resident Property Tax Valuation			\$158,817.00
Non-Resident Property Tax Payers			
	Valuation	Tax	Percent
	193,327.00	8,699.71	54.9 %
Total Non-Resident Property Tax Valuation			193,327.00
Total Valuation			<hr/> \$352,144.00

APPROPRIATIONS

Made at Town Meeting, March 8, 1949

Town Officers Salaries	1,000.00
Town Officers Expenses	700.00
Election and Registration Expenses	50.00
Town Hall and Buildings	500.00
Police Department	50.00
Fire Department	100.00
Blister Rust	200.0
Town Dump	75.00
Vital Statistics	14.00
Town Road Aid	486.00
Town Maintenance	3,400.00
Workman's Insurance	250.00
Street Lighting	126.00
General Expenses Highway Department	600.00
New Equipment, Fire Department	200.00
Libraries	150.00
Old Age Assistance	500.00
Town Poor	150.00
Memorial Day	25.00
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Advertising and Regional Asociation	32.00
Interest	300.00
Payments on Principal of Debt	1,000.00
County Tax	1,549.62
School Tax	6,496.08
Total Town and School Appropriations	<hr/> \$18,253.70

TAXES AND RATES

1949 Tax Rate per \$100 valuation	\$4.50	
1949 Assessors' net valuation	\$333,327.00	
1949 Appropriations		\$18,253.70

Less estimated revenue and credits:

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$541.10	
Railroad Tax	173.86	
Savings Bank Tax	242.04	
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal Lands	54.28	
Motor Vehicle permit Fees	641.42	
Rent of Town Property	50.00	
Interest Received on Taxes	64.07	
Cash Surplus	584.60	
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Total Revenue and Credits		2,351.37
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		\$ 15,902.33
Plus Overlay		240.15
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Net amount to be raised by taxation		16,142.48
Less Poll Taxes @ \$2.00		296.00
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Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is figured.		15,846.48

Taxes committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	15,846.48
Poll Taxes @ \$2.00	296.00
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Total Tax Warrant	\$ 16,142.48

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

During the year there was a change of Librarians. Mrs. Alice Dimock resigned the first part of the year. Mrs. Helen Sargent filled in the position until we were fortunate enough to secure the services of Mrs. Thelma W. Martin as Librarian.

We have had the services of the State Bookmobile since early summer.

We have continued the practice of having the Library open every two weeks during the winter months.

We wish to thank everyone who has contributed in any way to the usefulness and enlargement of our Library.

GERTRUDE F. HOUGHTON

LENA B. MILLER

C. W. ANDERSON

REPORT OF TREASURER OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

For the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 1949

Receipts

Balance from last year	\$24.03
Town Appropriation	150.00
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	\$174.03

Expenditures

Librarian	\$66.50
Janitor Service	7.00
Library Book House for books	30.90
Books	40.00
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	\$144.40
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Balance on hand	\$29.63

Signed

GERTRUDE F. HOUGHTON

Treasurer, Library Trustees.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

Due to the failure of the Legislature to provide sufficient funds for the State Library, the State Bookmobile has carried only children's books this year. This facility was used to good advantage by the Library, and it has been possible to secure books for adults from the State Library by mail upon request.

About sixty books have been added this year. Thirty-three have been purchased by Town funds and the remaining number contributed by friends and interested people.

The magazines that have been contributed this year are: Nature Magazine, by Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Houghton; Reader's Digest, by Miss Sybil Beatham; U. S. News, by "A Native Son"; Field and Stream, Popular Science, Animal Friends, Life, New England Homestead, Rural New Yorker, Coronet and other magazines by Mr. Harry Sluman, Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Martin, Mrs. Eva Martin and Miss Myrtie Adams. Child Life was purchased by the Library. The Townsend Times, New Hampshire Health News and the New Hampshire Troubadour are received regularly through the courtesy of the publishers.

Book Donors were Miss Gladys Adshead, Miss Margaretta Voorhees, Mr. C. W. Anderson, Hugh Williams, Mrs. John Goldsby and Mrs. Edmund Clap.

The parents of the school children must feel much gratitude towards the teachers who have influenced and guided the children of all grades to accept the opportunity for good reading.

Your library belongs to you, the people of Mason, and

it is truly an investment for which you should be very proud. But, best of all, an investment you should enjoy.

We wish to thank all who have helped and are helping to make this a pleasant place to visit in Mason.

Respectfully submitted,

THELMA W. MARTIN,

Librarian.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Trustees of Trust Funds, Trustees of Cemeteries, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Library Trustees, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

TOIVO KIVIMAKI,

Auditor.

February 2, 1950

SCHOOL WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of
Mason qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 17th day of March 1950, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the purpose of providing water, heat and flush toilets in the public school building and to authorize the school board to issue serial notes in

the name of and on the credit of the school district for a sum not to exceed \$4,000.00, said notes to be issued pursuant to Chapter 72 of the Revised Laws, and to authorize the school board, with the selectmen in an advisory capacity, to determine the time, place and amount of payment and interest and all other matters in connection with the financing of this project, or take any action relating thereto.

9. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate, in addition to the original appropriation for 1949-50, a sum of \$158.00 to be made available to the school district prior to July 1, 1950 in order to meet unanticipated obligations caused by increase in tuition over and above the amount estimated for 1949-50.

10. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

Given under our hands at said Mason this 15th day of February, 1950.

ROSE S. EATON
JUNE GIBBONS
MARGARETTA VOORHEES

School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ROSE S. EATON
JUNE GIBBONS
MARGARETTA VOORHEES

School Board

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

	Term Expires
Moderator: Mr. Toivo Kivimaki	March, 1950
Clerk: Miss Sybil Beatham	March, 1950
Treasurer: Mrs. Mildred Wharff	June, 1950
Auditor: Mrs. Lena Miller	March, 1950

SCHOOL BOARD

Mrs. June Gibbons	March, 1950
Mrs. Rose Eaton, Chairman	March, 1951
Miss Margaretta Voorhees	March, 1952

SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Newell J. Paire, Wilton, N. H.

TEACHING STAFF FOR 1949-1950

Miss Virginia Miller
Miss Lilla Tuttle
Miss Elsie Wheeler, Music

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1949-50:

January 3 to February 17	7 weeks
February 27 to April 21	8 weeks
May 1 to June 16	7 weeks
Holiday: May 30	

1950-51:

School opens Sept. 6, 1950—Closes Nov. 21	12 weeks
School opens Nov. 27 —Closes Dec. 20	4 weeks
School opens Jan. 2, 1951 —Closes Feb. 16	7 weeks
School opens Feb. 26 —Closes Apr. 20	8 weeks
School opens Apr. 30 —Closes June 15	7 weeks

Holiday: May 30

February vacation dates subject to change.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1949

SUMMARY

A. ADMINISTRATION:

1. Salaries of District Officers	123.59
2. Superintendent's salary (local share)	184.36
3. Tax for state wide supervision	68.00
4. Salaries of other administrative personnel	142.43
5. Supplies and expenses	4.09

B. INSTRUCTION:

6. Principal's and teachers' salaries	3,826.55
7. Books and other instructional aids	110.41
8. Scholars' supplies	153.91
10. Supplies and other expenses	38.23

C. OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:

11. Salaries of Janitors	180.00
12. Fuel or heat	148.00
13. Water, light, supplies and expenses	58.23

D. MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:

14. Repairs and replacements	83.10
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E. AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES:

15. Health supervision	70.00
16. Transportation	2,067.00
17. Tuition	1,269.50
18. Special activities and special funds	2.80
(a) School Lunch	42.24

F. FIXED CHARGES:

20. Insurance, treas. bond and expenses 79.00

G. CAPITAL OUTLAY:

23. New equipment 86.50

Payments for all purposes \$8,737.94

Cash on hand at end of year June 30, 1949 109.91

Grand Total \$8,847.85

RECEIPTS

Federal Aid:

National School Lunch 42.24

State Aid:

Equalization and General 1,426.39

Local Taxation:

Current appropriation 6,679.00

Other Sources:

Dog licenses 115.90

Trust funds 533.79

Other 34.85

Total receipts from all sources \$8,832.17

Cash on hand at beginning of year July 1, 1948 15.68

\$8,847.85

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Mason of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

July 25, 1949

LENA B. MILLER,

Auditor.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS

July 1, 1948 to July 1, 1949

1. School District Officers:

Frederic Martin, Auditor	2.00	
Frances Dunham, School Board Member	25.00	
Catherine Stuart, Secretary School Board	40.00	
Rose Eaton, School Board Member	25.00	
Harriet E. Whitaker, Treasurer	25.00	
Harriet E. Whitaker, Expenses	6.59	
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		\$123.59

2. Superintendent's Salary, local share 184.36

3. Rose Eaton, School Census Enumerator 5.00

4. Expenses of Administration:

Supervisory Union No. 63, Proportionate share of expenses	133.88
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Supervisory Union No. 63,	
General expenses	3.55
Supervisory Union No. 63, Toll calls,	
janitor supplies and	
scholars' supplies	4.09
State Treasurer, tax for state	
wide supervision	68.00
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	209.52

6. Teachers' Salaries:

Virginia Miller	1,700.00
Gladys Hurlbutt	1,907.35
Elsie F. Wheeler	200.00
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	3,807.35

NOTE: Discrepancy between Financial Report of \$3,826.55 and this figure due to \$19.20 having been entered twice.

7. Books and Other Instructional Aids:

Sugar Ball Press	17.82
The Arlo Publishing Co.	1.56
American Book Co.	13.23
Row-Peterson & Co.	9.20
Macmillan Company	6.26
Ginn and Company	17.45
Scott, Foresman & Co.	29.18
L. W. Singer & Co. ,Inc.	6.93
Noble and Noble Publishing Co.	4.63
Allyn and Bacon	1.05
Supervisory Union No. 63	3.10
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	110.41

8. Scholars' Supplies:

Beckley-Cardy Company	19.52	
Edward E. Babb Co.	33.46	
Laidlaw Brothers	8.44	
L. W. Singer & Co., Inc.	8.56	
Row-Peterson Co.	.48	
Cascade Paper Co.	42.47	
J. L. Hammett Co.	10.71	
Allyn and Bacon	.58	
Supervisory Union No. 63	.56	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	25.27	
Ginn and Company	1.66	
A. N. Palmer Company	1.22	
Thompson and Hoague	.98	
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		153.91

10. Other Expenses of Instruction:

F. A. Owen Publishing Co.	2.40	
Cambosco Scientific Co.	6.90	
Wm. L. Nutting, Inc.	9.00	
Jr. Scholastics	6.90	
Supervisory Union No. 63	3.97	
American Education Press	8.00	
Elsie Wheeler	.75	
J. L. Hammett Co.	.31	
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		38.23

11. Operation of School Plant:

Frank Newell, Janitor	180.00	
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		180.00

12. Fuel

Irving Spear	41.00
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Clyde Eaton	102.00	
Tracy Eaton	5.00	
	<hr/>	148.00
13. Water, light and janitor supplies:		
Greenville Electric Light Co.	36.44	
Warren Refining & Chemical Co.	4.25	
West Disinfecting Company	13.69	
Joslin Hardware Co.	3.40	
Frank Newell	.45	
	<hr/>	58.23
14. Minor Repairs and Expenses:		
Richard Hicks	60.00	
Frank Newell	19.05	
Gray and Dudley Co.	4.05	
	<hr/>	83.10
15. Health Supervision:		
Sybil M. Beatham, R. N.	50.00	
Harlan E. Karr, M. D.	20.00	
	<hr/>	70.00
16. Transportation:		
Alfred Spear	1,903.00	
Greenville School District	164.00	
	<hr/>	2,067.00
17. Tuitions:		
a. High School		
Appleton Academy	472.50	
Town of Townsend, Mass.	572.00	
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b. Elementary School		
Greenville School District	225.00	
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18. Other Special Activities:		
Philip Morris & Co.	2.00	
Supervisory Union No. 63	.80	
School Lunch Program	42.24	
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20. Fixed Charges:		
Insurance—T. A. Eaton Agency	79.00	
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23. Capital Outlay:		
New Equipment		
Encyclopedia Britannica	82.85	
Beckley-Cardy Company	3.65	
	<hr/>	86.50

Total payments for all purposes	<hr/>	\$8,718.74
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Note: Entry made by error in General Fund Book		
under Teachers' Salaries	19.20	
	<hr/>	\$8,737.94

Respectfully submitted,

ROSE S. EATON
JUNE GIBBONS
MARGARETTA VOORHEES

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1949

SUMMARY

Cash on hand		\$15.68
Received from Selectmen,		
Appropriation for current year	6,679.00	
Dog Tax	115.90	
Income from Trust Funds	533.79	
Received from State Treasurer	1,426.39	
Received from all other sources	77.09	
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		8,832.17
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Total Amount Available for fiscal year		8,847.85
Less School Board orders paid		8,737.94
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1949		109.91

HARRIET E. WHITAKER,

July 12, 1949

District Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Mason, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949 and find them correct in all respects.

LENA B. MILLER,

Auditor

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1950-51

School Board's statement of amounts required to support schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1950.

A. ADMINISTRATION:

1. Salaries of district officers	102.00
2. Superintendent's salary (local share)	166.00
3. Tax for state wide supervision	124.00
4. Salaries of other Administrative Personnel	153.00
5. Supplies and other expenses	12.00

B. INSTRUCTION:

6. Teachers' salaries	4,540.00
7. Books and other instructional aids	181.00
8. Scholars' supplies	212.50
10. Other instructional expenses	6.50

C. OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:

11. Salary of Custodian	200.00
12. Fuel	145.00
13. Light and other expenses	118.75

D. MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:

14. Repairs and replacements	145.00
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E. AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES:

15. Health supervision	85.00
16. Transportation	2,252.00
17. Tuitions	
a. High School	1,800.00

b. Elementary	400.00
18. Special Fund Activities	34.00

F. FIXED CHARGES:

19. Teacher Retirement	117.50
20. Insurance, bonds and expenses	8.00

G. CAPITAL OUTLAY:

22. Additions and improvements to bldgs	375.00
23. Equipment	30.00

Total Amount Required to Meet School Board's Budget	\$11,207.25
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H. ESTIMATED INCOME OF DISTRICT:

State Aid	3,465.57
Income from trust funds	500.00

Total income	3,965.57
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Total Assessment Required to Meet School Board's Budget	7,241.68
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ROSE S. EATON

JUNE GIBBONS

MARGARETTA VOORHEES

School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Board and Citizens of Mason:

I respectfully submit my third annual report as your Superintendent of Schools:

ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION

Every effort is being made to operate your school as economically and as efficiently as possible. It is difficult to evaluate the product of education in terms of dollars and cents. Perhaps the best way and only way in which the product of a school can be measured is by the manner in which the children adjust themselves to new situations and the confidence they exhibit in attacking new problems. It is gratifying to note that as your pupils have moved on to other schools, namely Appleton Academy and Townsend High School, they have done exceptionally well and in many instances have become leaders in their respective schools.

This year your school, under the excellent leadership of Miss Virginia Miller and Miss Lilla Tuttle, has exhibited excellent morale and is developing a very efficient educational program. Both have contributed much time and effort to the Community as well as the school. They are keenly aware of the necessity of keeping in touch with modern methods of instruction and new educational thinking. Miss Miller attended the summer session at the University of New Hampshire this past summer, and Miss Tuttle attended the summer session at Keene Teachers College. The children have been responsive to their teachings.

The parents and friends, through the Parent-Teachers Association have shown an active interest in their school

as exhibited by their willingness to provide bookcases, cleaning the school and lending a hand generally when the need has presented itself.

The new lighting in the school has contributed greatly toward making a brighter, more cheerful and healthier working environment for your children.

Each week Mr. Anderson has come into the school and given his time and in several instances has contributed materials, so that your children may have the benefit of art instruction. The results of his work are exceptional. Your young people are exhibiting some of the best art work of any school in the Union.

The several programs given throughout the year have been a definite compliment to the very fine work that Miss Elsie Wheeler is doing in music. Your children have learned to love and enjoy good music and its related activities.

We are constantly in touch with the development of each child in the school through our testing program. Intelligence tests are given each year in grades three, six and eight. The Metropolitan Tests of Achievement are given in May of each year and more often, if it is felt desirable, so that we may have an objective basis for determining the strengths and weaknesses of our program and to judge the progress each child is making in the various subject areas. Thus, we are able to build a program that will fit the needs of the individual child.

BUDGET

The School Board's budget for 1950-51 calls for an appropriation of \$11,207.25 an increase of \$1,727.25 over that of last year. The estimated income reduces the appro-

priation to \$7,241.68, this amount to be raised by assessment.

The increases are reflected in the following items: Tuitions—high school and elementary \$1,150.00; teachers' salaries \$240.00; transportation \$152.00; minor repairs \$90.69; scholars' supplies \$87.50; per capita tax \$38.00; miscellaneous items such as supplies, books, extra janitorial services, teachers' retirement, additions and improvements, fuel, etc. \$122.75.

Tuitions have increased as the result of more pupils attending high school and increased tuition charges per pupil. Appleton Academy has found it necessary to increase its tuition from \$150.00 per pupil to \$200.00. Tuitions are largely controlled by the average per pupil cost for the State of New Hampshire. For the year 1948-49, the average per pupil costs for operating high schools was \$233.70. Since a high school or an academy is permitted to charge a tuition rate equal to, but not in excess of the state average, it would seem that the tuition fee at Appleton Academy is fair.

Tuition pupils to Greenville have increased from 3 to 8, all of whom live in the area of the old No. 6 school and are transported to the Greenville School at an expense of \$1.00 per week, per pupil. The tuition fee of \$50.00 per pupil has remained the same but since the number has increased it was necessary to budget \$250.00 more than in the past. There will be nine pupils attending high school next year, and 8 attending elementary school outside of the district.

Increases in teachers' salaries are in line with what is taking place in the surrounding districts, and throughout the state. It is difficult to request teachers to improve themselves professionally and to hold them, if some inducement is not provided.

Minor repairs and expenses was increased by \$90.69 to provide some window screens and screen doors for the school building. The fly condition is very serious, and some step should be taken to remedy this situation.

The School Board budgeted an increase of \$87.50 for scholars' supplies. Scholars' supplies are still obtainable at comparatively high prices. \$125.00 has been budgeted for this item for the past two years and in each case it has not been enough to provide the essential materials for good instruction. Certain items, which in the past have been charged off to "other expenses of instruction" are now placed under this item. These items approximate \$50.00 and are directly related to our reading system.

Other items of increase, listed above, need no explanation.

Certain reductions in several items were realized, primarily as a result of legislative action taken at the last session of the Legislature. Without going into the details of the act the following is a summary statement, "Supervisory Union expenses shall be apportioned on the basis of one-half on the average membership for the previous school year and one-half on the last assessed valuation of the district." Thus Mason realized a reduction in their share of Supervisory Union expenses in the amount of \$118.69. Other decreases made an aggregate reduction of \$153.69.

SPECIAL ARTICLES

Article 8 refers to the desire and need for a central water supply, central heating and modern flush toilets in the school building. The figure of \$4,000.00 is the result of much thought and in some instances of bid prices submitted to the Town Investigating Committee who looked into this problem a year ago.

It is barely possible that if the whole program is not desired, a portion of it could be planned for each year.

It also should be taken into consideration that if the district votes to install water, heat and flush toilets, it will be necessary to increase the operating costs by the following amounts: fuel—\$205.00 and electric power (lights) \$22.00, making a total increase of \$227.00 over that requested for these items in the 1950-51 budget. These figures are based upon the actual costs of operating a very similar situation in Lyndeborough, N. H., where they have an oil fired, forced hot air system, artesian well and pump, flush toilets, etc.

Article 9. The request in this article is made for a deficiency appropriation of \$158.00 to cover tuition obligations for elementary school children that have developed since the last March meeting. At that time it was estimated that we would have three pupils attending the Greenville school at a cost of \$150.00. However, when school opened in the fall we discovered that as a result of families moving into the No. 6 area, and children becoming of school age, that we were obligated to provide tuitions for seven instead of three. After several weeks one pupil moved to Milford. At the present time we are paying tuitions for six pupils.

I wish to thank the School Board and citizens for the excellent support and cooperation they have extended to me the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

NEWELL J. PAIRE

Superintendent of Schools

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,

1949

Enrollment by Grades

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	10	4	2	4					20
Grammar					5	5	5	1	16
									<hr/> 36

Attending Appleton Academy	5
Attending Townsend High School	8
Attending Greenville Elementary	5

ATTENDANCE

School	Average Member- ship	Average Attend- ance	Percent of Attend- ance	Tardinesses Total	Per Pupil
Primary	19.66	18.63	94.71	6	.23
Grammar	11.76	11.45	97.36	9	.5

Visits:

By School Board Member	19
By Superintendent	69
By Citizens	25

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Two Years: Cecil Trempe.

One Year: Walter Mace, Arthur Williams, Joyce Williams,
Claudette Trempe, Flora Eastman, Douglas
Stuart, Murdock Dunn, Hugh Williams.

STATISTICS FOR FIRST EIGHTEEN WEEKS

1949-50

Census: (Ages 1 day to 16 yrs.) Boys: 25; Girls 47. Total 72

Attending Mason schools	36
Attending Townsend High	4
Attending Appleton Academy	4
Attending Greenville Public Schools	7
Attending Private School	2

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	8	10	2	3					23
Grammar					3	4	3	3	13

ATTENDANCE

	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance	Tardi- nesses
Primary	21.27	20.18	94.8	2
Grammar	12.40	12.19	98.3	7

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Visits made to school	10
Visits made with doctor	1

Examinations done in school by Nurse:

Communicable diseases found:

Pediculosis	6
Poison Ivy	2

Eye examination by use of the Snellon	
Chart of the children in Primary Room	22

Puretone Audiometer test done in Primary Room:

Some hearing loss found	1
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Defects found by the Doctor:

Infected tonsils	7
Defective teeth	8
Crossed eyes	1
Acne	1
Systolic heart murmur	1
Wax in ear	1

Respectfully submitted,

SYBIL M. BEATHAM, R. N.

School Nurse.

VITAL STATISTICS

January 1, 1949 to June 1, 1949

BIRTHS

Sharon Ruth Williams (Stillborn)	February 4, 1949
Anna Amanda Washburn	February 5, 1949
Alan Joseph Spear	April 1, 1949

DEATHS

Earl Eugene Brown, P. F. C.	November 20, 1944
Samuel Hooper Davis	April 19, 1949
Mamie Dietzel	May 5, 1949

June 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949

MARRIAGES

Eino A. Helstein, Mason, N. H. and Irene M. Gravell, Baldwinsville, Mass., December 3, 1949.

BIRTHS

Kathleen Helen Graham	July 12, 1949
David Mark Spear	July 2, 1949
David John Mills	July 21, 1949
Mary Isabelle Anderson	May 23, 1949
Robert Edwin Doucette	November 18, 1949

DEATHS

James Whittier Graham	December 8, 1949
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Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY BLAKE WHITAKER,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Everyone apparently fears fire but too many are careless with it. This is particularly true of fires in and near woodlands. Official figures show that more than 98% of all forest fires result from human carelessness and can be prevented. Consequently, we may say "Forest Fires are our most shameful waste."

Annual forest fire losses are tremendous and their effects are far reaching. Such fires destroy the raw products of the forests, the protection forests provide for game and the supply of ground water. They upset local economies by drawing men from gainful employment and requiring the expenditure of public funds to extinguish them.

Our forest fire organization is doing a good job in keeping the size of fires small but the number of fires is increasing. In 1949 there were 100 more fires in New Hampshire than in 1948, but they burned 500 acres less. For the warden and his deputies to do the job they are capable of, they must have the cooperation of the public—**YOU!**

The primary objective of all fire fighters is **PREVENTION**—fire stoppage. This is the goal toward which your local forest fire warden and his deputies are constantly working. It can be achieved **ONLY** if **YOU** and **YOU** and **YOU** cooperate with them. It is worth **YOUR** effort and can be accomplished by:

1. Being careful with fire in or near woodland, being particularly careful with matches and cigarettes.

2. Securing the required written permit from the warden when the ground is not covered with snow.
3. Insisting that others be careful and comply with burning requirements.
4. Calling the warden promptly when fire is detected and aiding him to extinguish it.

Let's reduce the number of forest fires and eliminate our most shameful waste.

1949 FIRE RECORD

Number of fires	1
Acreage Burned	1
Number of fire permits issued	50

Respectfully submitted,

GUY O. HOLLIS,

District Fire Chief.

CARL V. VALYOU,

Forest Fire Warden.

1949 LIST OF POLLS, MASON, N. H.

Adams, Myrtie B. *
Adshead, Gladys L.
Anderson, C. W. *
Anderson, Madelaine
Anderson, Robert K. *
Anderson, Mrs. R. K.
Babb, Charles H. *
Barnes, Charles L. *
Barnes, Theresa
Barnes, Walter
Beatham, Sibyl M. *
Bell, James
Bell, Lillian J.
Blake, Alice G.
Blake, Charles L. *
Boyle, Evelyn
Boyle, Franklin C.
Boynton, Fred *
Brown, Agnes
Brown, Ellsworth *
Brown, Loren
Brown, Mildred J.
Clap, Edmund
Clap, Vera
Coyne, Francis J.
Coyne, Theresa S.
Crosscup, Arnold *
Crosscup, Eardley
Crosscup, Lulu
Dietzel, Frank †
Dimock, Dwight L. *
Dimock, Alice B.
Dondale, Judson W.
Dondale, Pauline
Doucette, Edwin
Doucette, Nellie

Driver, Jean Ellis
Dunham, Albert L. *
Dunham, Albert L., Jr. *
Dunham, Frances E.
Dunham, Rita C.
Dunham, Robert
Duire, Mike *
Dunn, Curtis V.
Dunn, Marion J.
Eastman, Edward K. *
Eastman, Marion E.
Eaton, Rose *
Eaton, Tracy A.
Elliott, Emma C.
Elliott, Harold F. *
Elliott, Orvan
Elliott, Paule D.
Emerson, Ida *
Emerson, Ralph *
Flagg, Doris *
Flagg, Helen
Flagg, Irving *
Forrest, Harold C. *
Forrest, Hulda
Gibbons, James *
Gibbons, June
Gish, Kathleen
Godfrey, Alex H. *
Goldsby, Bertha
Goldsby, John W. *
Graham, James R. *
Graham, May
Haley, Ralph
Haley, Elsie
Heikenen, Elvi
Heikenen, William

Helstein, Anna
 Helstein, August
 Helstein, Eino
 Hitchcock, James
 Hitchcock, Marion
 Houghton, Donald N.
 Houghton, Gertrude
 Hudon, Doris L.
 Hudon, Ernest L.
 Hurlbert, Gladys
 Ilomaki, Mary
 Ilomaki, Warner
 Jackson, Bertha
 Jackson, Louis
 Jones, Elizabeth O.
 Jones, John W. *
 Kivimaki, Anna E. *
 Kivimaki, John
 Kivimaki, Sailo *
 Kivimaki, Toivo K. *
 Knox, Ernest G.
 Knox, Fred
 Koivula, John †
 Lambert, Edward F.
 Lambert, Frances R.
 LaRoche, Edward
 Leger, Armand
 Leger, Genevieve
 Lehtonen, Arvo
 Lehtonen, Ethel
 Leino, Leo O. *
 Leino, Lillian
 Leino, Oscar
 Leino, Mrs. Oscar
 Lord, George A. *
 Lord, George O.
 Lord, Hazel B.
 Lord, Richard J.
 Martin, Frederic N. *
 Martin, Thelma W.

Merriam, George P.
 Miller, Harold C. *
 Miller, Lena B.
 Miller, Lucille
 Miller, Virginia
 Minot, Chester
 Minot, Enyde F.
 Murto, Helvi
 Murto, Oiva *
 Newell, Bertha *
 Newell, Carl
 Newell, Frank
 Newell, Mable
 Newell, Ruth
 Noble, Delmore P. *
 Nicolson, Ida M.
 Orechia, Arthur *
 Osgood, William E. *
 Pajori, Anselm M. *
 Pajori, Mary K.
 Palumbo, Helen M.
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